

## PROMOTING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

*"The urban-rural divide in this country is a heartbreaking example of unbalanced economic growth that has changed the small towns and main streets that once served as vital community hubs. More must be done to ensure that all Americans benefit from our country's economic prosperity."*



### TAX REFORM

Pro-growth policies like tax reform have helped boost Colorado's economy with wages that have risen year after year and historically low unemployment rates.

### IMPROVING PILT

Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) are payments to local governments that help offset losses in property taxes due to the existence of nontaxable Federal lands.

### BLM'S MOVE TO GJ

The relocation of the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) headquarters to Grand Junction will generate a positive economic ripple throughout Colorado.

### OPPORTUNITY ZONES

Opportunity Zones provide a federal tax incentive to invest in low-income rural communities.

## CONTACT MY OFFICE FOR ASSISTANCE

### Senator Gardner and his staff are here to serve you.

If you are struggling with a federal agency, please feel free to visit my website or contact my nearest office for assistance.

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SERVING RURAL

# COLORADO

*"Our state has experienced broad economic growth over the past few years, but many rural communities still feel left behind. I live in rural Colorado, it's home, and we need every corner of our state to thrive, not just the Front Range."*



UNITED STATES SENATOR  
**CORY GARDNER**

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## AGRICULTURE & TRADE

*“Rather than getting in the way of farmers and ranchers, I believe we should allow our rural communities to grow and thrive. In Congress, I have been a strong supporter of advancing free trade to grow our agriculture industry.”*

### PUSHING FOR FULL ACCESS TO FOREIGN MARKETS

As Chairman of the Foreign Relations Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity, I urged Japan, Taiwan, and other countries to open their markets to American producers.

### IMPROVING OUR WATER SUPPLY AND DROUGHT RESILIENCY

I introduced legislation to improve the nation’s water supply, drought resiliency, and conservation efforts.

### DEVELOPING & ATTRACTING RURAL BUSINESSES

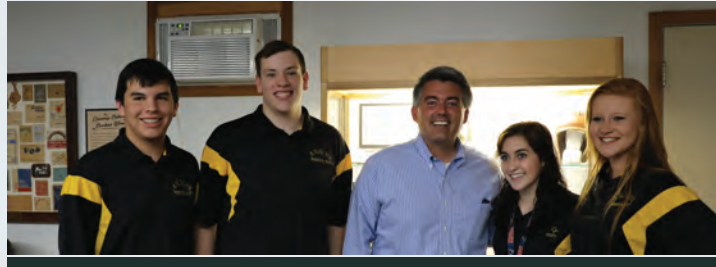
As the product of many conversations with Coloradans across the state, I have supported initiatives that make it easier for small businesses to succeed by reducing burdensome regulations, boosting investments, and extending tax credits.

### THE U.S. MEXICO CANADA AGREEMENT

Colorado is a trade-dependent state, and the new United States-Mexico-Canada trade agreement is a better opportunity for us to gain more jobs and more income for the people of Colorado.

## ENSURING TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCESS

*“Innovation in technology and communications has revolutionized the way we do business, connect with one another, and lead our daily lives.”*



### BUILDING OUT BROADBAND

I’ve championed legislation to connect Coloradans to broadband and good-paying telecommunications jobs. I introduced the AIRWAVES Act that could bring up to \$6 billion to rural areas, and

I’ll continue working to improve broadband coverage maps to connect all of Colorado.

### WI-FI ON SCHOOL BUSES

Installing Wi-Fi on school buses will allow students in rural school districts across Colorado to finish homework assignments while commuting for hours each day to and from school.

### ENSURING CYBER AND GRID SECURITY

I supported legislation in the 2018 Farm Bill that ensures cybersecurity and grid security improvements are eligible for USDA loans. This safeguards rural communities by ensuring electric cooperatives have resources to protect themselves against cyberattacks.

## AFFORDABLE HOUSING & ENERGY

*“Families across Colorado are suffering from the rising costs of energy and housing. It is important to ensure affordability for all Coloradans.”*

### INVESTING IN ALL OF THE ABOVE ENERGY

Renewable energy and biofuels are beneficial for our state, and I’ve championed numerous bills to encourage research and development of these technologies.

### 2018 FARM BILL

I’m a strong supporter of the REAP program included in the Farm Bill, which promotes energy efficiency and renewable energy for agricultural producers and rural small businesses.

## EXPANDING HEALTH SERVICES

*“All Coloradans deserve access to affordable health care services regardless of whether they live in rural or urban areas.”*

### TELEHEALTH INNOVATION & IMPROVEMENT ACT

Allows Medicare to expand coverage of telehealth services, thereby increasing access to affordable health care for rural Colorado.

### RURAL PHYSICIAN WORK- FORCE SHORTAGES

I introduced the Rural Physician Workforce Production Act, to help level the playing field for Graduate Medical Education by ensuring doctors are being recruited and retained in rural areas.